IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK FICE REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 53(b) WITHOUT FILING FEE OR EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a new PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERIPHERAL VEIN FLUID REMOVAL IN HEART FAILURE without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration. This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers: An abstract together with pages of specification and claims including numbered claims and also attached is/are 54 sheets of accompanying drawings. This application is based on the following prior foreign application(s): **Filing Date** Application No. Country respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom. X This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s): Application No. **Filing Date** 60/206.232 May 23, 2000 respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom. Certified copy/ies of foreign applications attached. This application is a \(\subseteq \text{continuation/} \subseteq \text{division/} \subseteq \text{continuation-in-part of application Serial No.} \) Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application is a \square continuation/ \square division/ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. , filed , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This is a continuation of PCT application No. , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/206,232, filed May 23, 2000, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee. Also attached. □1. **USA** Inventor: Howard R. **LEVIN** (first) MI (last) (citizenship) Residence: (city) Teaneck (state/country) New Jersey Post Office Address: 640 Pomander Walk, Teaneck, New Jersev (Zip Code) 07666 **USA GELFAND** 2. Inventor: Mark (first) (last) (citizenship) Residence: (city) (state/country) New York New York Post Office Address: 11 Avenue B, Apt. 4B, New York, New York (Zip Code) 10009 NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL INVENTORS, check box X and attach sheet with same information. Address all future communications to NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C., 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor, Arlington,

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